

King George V - 'Silver Jubilee 1910-1935' Issue.

The idea for a set of stamps commemorating King George V's twenty-five years as monarch came from the Colonial Office, along with a suggestion that an identical set be issued throughout the British Empire. After a little resistance from the Post Office, it was eventually decided that there would be four values for Great Britain - $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 1d, $1\frac{1}{2}$ d, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Designer of the chosen design

After a second round of submissions from various artists, one satisfactory design emerged, that of **Barnett Freedman** (1901-1958). Barnett Freedman was a painter, lithographer, illustrator, designer, and an official War Artist during WWII. In recognition of his work, he was awarded a CBE in 1947.

Printing details

The stamps were printed by **Harrison & Sons** in photogravure, the first 'special issue' to be produced using this technique. The stamps were printed in sheets of 120, arranged in 20 rows of six stamps. Three multipositives were used - Type I was for sheets, whereas Type II, with inverted watermark, and Type III were for booklets. All four values were issued in sheets, but only the $\frac{1}{2}$ d, 1d, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ d values appeared in booklets. Note that no account of the various Types has been made in the Perfin record, although it is highly unlikely that any booklets will have been Perfinned.

Issued date - 7th May 1935.

Quantities sold - figures (including booklet sales) are shown above each stamp.

$\frac{1}{2}$ d - 353,400,000



899 dies

1d - 150,400,000



462 dies

$1\frac{1}{2}$ d - 490,000,000



1,054 dies

$2\frac{1}{2}$ d - 14,200,000



345 dies

A total of **1,436** different Perfin dies can be found on the issue, involving **2,760** DDF, of which **1,170** dies (81.5%) have identified (or suspected) users.

Perfin figures correct to *1st January 2019*.

MASTER LIST				Denomination			
Letter	DD	DDF	Ident	½d	1d	1½d	2½d
A	59	118	44	36	22	39	21
B	142	270	122	87	42	109	32
C	126	250	105	86	41	93	30
D	63	124	51	41	20	50	13
E	63	125	47	40	20	50	15
F	35	73	29	25	14	26	8
G	61	114	45	36	19	45	14
H	87	165	68	56	22	61	26
I	22	33	15	10	6	15	2
J	113	220	96	76	38	82	24
K	26	51	21	17	7	19	8
L	59	128	48	39	19	47	23
M	66	121	55	39	23	47	12
N	38	75	30	21	14	30	10
O	19	38	19	15	4	16	3
P	63	121	57	38	19	49	15
Q	4	7	4	2	2	3	0
R	68	115	53	36	20	47	12
S	113	236	91	76	41	80	39
T	61	115	51	37	20	45	13
U	10	20	10	6	4	7	3
V	11	20	10	6	6	7	1
W	112	198	87	67	34	77	20
X	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Y	5	6	5	0	1	4	1
Z	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
Des	6	12	6	5	3	4	0
Nos	3	4	1	1	1	2	0
TOTALS	1,436	2,760	1,170	899	462	1,054	345

A revised edition (V2.00) of the illustrated study was placed on the Perfin Society Website in September 2016, along with a log of changes that have taken place since then.

A new version (V3.00) was compiled specially for inclusion in 'Sloper 150', correct to 1st January 2018.

This current version (V4.00) is correct to 1st January 2019.